

REMARKS

The Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for his examination of the present application. Claims 1-36, 38-69, 76-78, 80, 84, 93-96, and 123-125 remain pending in the application.

Provisional Rejection Based on Obviousness-type Double Patenting

Claims 1-36, 38-69, 76-78, 80, 84, 93-96, and 123-125 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1 and 3-46 of copending application no. 10/752,438. Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to remove this rejection.

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It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Consideration of the application and issuance of a notice of allowance are respectfully requested.

It is believed that a one month extension of time is required. Applicants respectfully petition for such an extension. Authorization is hereby given to charge deposit account number 19-4972. If any additional fees are required for the timely consideration of this application, please charge deposit account number 19-4972.

The Applicant requests that the undersigned, Alexander J. Smolenski, Jr., be contacted if it will assist further examination of this application.

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